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TO: Intermediate and Local School District Superintendents
Public School Academy Directors
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FROM: Mike Flanagan 

SUBJECT: Michigan School Support Person of the Year Award Program

The State Board of Education and I are pleased to invite you to participate in the Michigan School Support Person of the Year Award Program (SSPOY). Outstanding support persons make a difference in Michigan schools every day. Please join us in bringing recognition to these individuals.

The purpose of the SSPOY Award is to honor outstanding support personnel for their contributions to the success of the learning community and to focus public attention on the importance of school support personnel. They are integral partners in ensuring optimal learning environments for our children.

Detailed information regarding the nomination and selection processes can be accessed on the Department's website at: www.michigan.gov/mde.

Click on Recognition Programs in the right margin.
Click on Michigan School Support Person of the Year Award.
Click on Guidelines.

Nomination portfolios are due to regional coordinators on November 22, 2005. The timeline for the 2005-2006 program is included within the guidelines on the website. Questions regarding the SSPOY Program may be addressed to Ms. Jean M. Shane at shanej@michigan.gov or 517.241.2375.

I encourage you to join the effort to recognize exemplary school support staff. Thank you.

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MASB, MSBO, AFSCME, UAW,
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